

February 19, 2023

Re: Oppose: H.B. 5653

Committee Members,

I am compelled to write this letter to **strongly oppose** H.B. 5653 An Act Establishing an Excise Tax on Ammunition. This tax is an excessive amount of tax to arbitrarily impose on law abiding citizens of Connecticut. Ammunition is already taxed an additional 11% on top of CT sales tax. Lawful citizens of Connecticut who purchase ammunition are being targeted with this bill as some sort of sin tax. I suggest putting an additional tax on cell phones, milk and eggs so you can unfairly tax the general public instead of singling out a single group of tax payers. I strongly encourage the Committee Members to reject this bill.

Respectfully,

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